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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. If, as a result of the amendment, an additional fee is required, please charge it to:

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action of 09/28/04, enclosed herewith is a petition for an extension of one month to respond to the Official Action so that the new due date is 01/28/05.

Also enclosed is a certified copy of German application 103 03 623.7 in support of the claim for priority.

Please amend the present application as indicated below under "Amendments to the Claims":